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25X1 1. [redacted] the Frankfurt/Oder freight dispatch office, the
following number of railcars were loaded with commercial goods passed the border
during the period from 15 to 31 May 1951:

a. Westbound traffic:

Date 1951	Number and type of cars	Load	From	To
16 May	3 flatcars	sheet iron	Brest Litovsk	Warnemunde
17 May	17 gondola cars	hard coal	Poland	Greifswald
	26 flatcars	pig iron	Brest Litovsk	Lagdeburg
	9 flatcars	sectional	Brest Litovsk	Schoonebeck
	1 tank cars	cotton-seed oil	Brest Litovsk	Wittenberge
18 May	30 gondola cars	hard coal	Poland	Ruedersdorf Poeringswerda (sic) Jatschin Barnswalde
19 May	8 flatcars	sheet iron	Brest Litovsk	Warnemunde
	19 gondola cars	hard coal	Poland	Greifswald
	2 boxcars	pig iron	Brest Litovsk	Lagdeburg
	21 tank cars	coltrot oil	Brest Litovsk	Lagdeburg Harbor (sic)*
20 May	2 boxcars	antimony	Brest Litovsk	Berlin-Barnelsburg
	1 boxcars	copper	Brest Litovsk	Berlin-Barnelsburg
	17 flatcars	anthracite	Brest Litovsk	Berlin-Schoonweide
	7 gondola cars	hard coal	Brest Litovsk	Fuersternwalde
	16 gondola cars	hard coal	Poland	Soviet Zone of Germany
	16 gondola cars	hard coal	Poland	Knostrin

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Date 1951	Number and type of Cars	Load	From	To	
	2 tank cars	cotton-seed oil	Brest Litovsk	Wittenberge	25X1
	4 boxcars	naphthaline	Brest Litovsk	Aken	
	10 boxcars	pig iron	Brest Litovsk	Thale	
	6 flatcars	sheet iron	Brest Litovsk	Wismar	
	1 boxcar	furniture	Brest Litovsk	Amsterdam	
	5 boxcars	charcoal	Poland	Belgium	
	4 boxcars	electric welding wire	Brest Litovsk	Finsterwalde	
	3 gondola	anthracite	Brest Litovsk	Leipzig	
	3 gondola	manganese ore	Brest Litovsk	Boehla	
	3 flatcars	iron tubes	Brest Litovsk	Bitterfeld Iichtershausen	
	1 gondola car	sheet iron	Brest Litovsk	Gotha	
	1 flatcar	sectional iron	Brest Litovsk	Koenigsee	
	5 tank cars	benzol	Brest Litovsk	Merseburg (Buna Plant)	
	1 boxcar	cotton	Brest Litovsk	Dresden	
	1 gondola car	hard coal	Poland	Plauen	
21 May	12 boxcars	iron	Brest Litovsk	Frankfurt/Oder	
	5 flatcars				
	3 gondola cars				
	3 gondola cars	pig iron	Brest Litovsk	Krossen	
	7 boxcars	cotton	Brest Litovsk	Riesa	25X1 25X1
22 May	22 flatcars	pig iron and sectional iron	Brest Litovsk	Frankfurt/Oder	shuttle-train
	9 gondola cars				
	24 boxcars	pig iron and sectional iron	Brest Litovsk	Frankfurt/Oder	shuttle-train
	24 flatcars				
	6 gondola cars				
	16 boxcars	pig iron	Brest Litovsk	Groeditz Hainsberg Krossen	
	2 gondola cars				
	7 boxcars	manganese ore	Brest Litovsk	Boehla	
	11 boxcars	cotton	Brest Litovsk	Dresden Riesa	
	9 gondola cars	anthracite	Brest Litovsk	Piesteritz	25X1
	27 boxcars	undetermined	Brest Litovsk	Frankfurt/Oder	shuttle-train
	20 flatcars				
	6 flatcars	sheet iron	Brest Litovsk	Dresden	
	4 flatcars	sectional iron	Brest Litovsk	Bautzen Leipzig	
	45 boxcars	grain	Gerdaunen	Wiederitzsch Erfurt	shuttle-train
					25X1
23 May	11 flatcars	pig iron	Brest Litovsk	Chemnitz Groeditz	
	12 gondola cars			Riesa	
	12 boxcars	pig iron	Brest Litovsk	Chemnitz Groeditz	
	10 flatcars			Krossen	
	16 gondola cars				
	44 boxcars	grain	Gerdaunen	Altenburg	shuttle-train
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Date 1951	Number and type of Cars	Load	From	To		25X1
24 May	7 tank cars	sperm oil	Brest Litovsk	Rosslau		
	7 tank cars	benzol	Brest Litovsk	Merseburg (Buna Plant)		
	11 flatcars	pig iron	Brest Litovsk	Soviet Zone of Germany		
	38 gondola cars	and sectional iron				
	21 gondola cars	pig iron	Brest Litovsk	Groeditz		
	5 flatcars			Krossen Chemnitz		
	2 gondola cars	anthracite	Brest Litovsk	Weimar Nordhausen		
	23 gondola cars	manganese ore	Brest Litovsk	Boehlen Barby Schoenebeck		
	55 boxcars	grain	Gerdauen	Fuerstenberg	shuttle-train	
	22 flatcars	sheet iron	Brest Litovsk	Dresden Bautzen Schlauroth		25X1
	5 flatcars	sectional iron	Brest Litovsk	Zittau Schoenebeck		
	10 flatcars	sheet iron	Brest Litovsk	Radeberg Wismar Drewitz		
	4 boxcars	naphtha- line	Brest Litovsk	Merseburg		
	1 boxcar	cotton	Brest Litovsk	Dresden		
	3 boxcars	wool	Brest Litovsk	Leipzig		
	2 boxcars	graphite	Brest Litovsk	Hainsberg		
	4 boxcars	zinc	Brest Litovsk	Leipzig		
	1 boxcars	flax	Brest Litovsk	Torgau		
	36 boxcars	pig iron	Brest Litovsk	Krossen Magdeburg Thale		
	11 boxcars	grain	Gerdauen	Frankfurt/Oder		
	3 flatcars	pig iron	Brest Litovsk	Groeditz		
	1 gondola car					
	17 flatcars	rod iron and sectional iron	Brest Litovsk	Schoenebeck Magdeburg		
	14 flatcars	sheet iron	Brest Litovsk	Soviet Zone of Germany		
25 May	25 gondola cars	pig iron	Brest Litovsk	Magdeburg Thale		
	1 flatcar	sheet iron	Brest Litovsk	Dresden		
	6 gondola cars	anthracite	Brest Litovsk	Berlin Leipzig Plauen		
	9 gondola cars	manganese ore	Brest Litovsk	Boehlen		
	1 flatcar	sheet iron	Brest Litovsk	Warnemunde		
	25 flatcars	pig iron	Brest Litovsk	Magdeburg Thale		
	16 flatcars	manganese ore	Brest Litovsk	Schoenebeck		
	2 flatcars	wheel disks	Brest Litovsk	Ilseburg		
	13 flatcars	anthracite	Brest Litovsk	Soviet Zone of Germany		
	55 boxcars	oats	Brest Litovsk	Frankfurt/Oder	shuttle-train	
	45 boxcars	barley	Gerdauen	Altenburg		25X1

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Date 1951	Number and type of Cars	Load	From	To		25X1
	55 boxcars	grain	Brest Litovsk	Frankfurt/Oder Fuerstenberg	shuttle-train []	25X1
26 May	2 gondola cars	anthracite	Brest Litovsk	Zossen		
	6 flatcars	profile iron	Brest Litovsk	Lahlow		
	1 flatcar	sheet iron	Brest Litovsk	Soviet Zone of Germany		
	17 gondola cars	manganese ore	Brest Litovsk	Schlauroth		
	44 boxcars	wheat	Brest Litovsk	Boehlen		
	48 boxcars	grain	Brest Litovsk	Weimar		
	55 boxcars	grain	Brest Litovsk	Erfurt		
			Brest Litovsk	Grossneuendorf		
27 May	56 boxcars	grain	Brest Litovsk	Erfurt	shuttle-train []	25X1
	32 boxcars	grain	Gerdauen	Eisenach	shuttle-train []	25X1
	26 boxcars	grain	Brest Litovsk	Weimar	[]	25X1
	56 boxcars	grain	Brest Litovsk	Hermisdorf Seelow	shuttle-train []	25X1
29 May	39 boxcars	grain	Gerdauen	Erfurt		
31 May	47 boxcars	grain	Gerdauen	Rudolstadt	shuttle-train []	25X1
	b. Eastbound traffic:				[]	25X1
17 May	50 boxcars	potash	Glueckauf	Reppen		
18 May	46 boxcars	potash	Rossleben	Reppen		
	50 boxcars	potash	Glueckauf	Reppen		
	24 tank cars	new (1)	Weimar	Brest Litovsk		
19 May	86 boxcars	potash	Glueckauf	Reppen		
			Rossleben			
			Teutschenthal			
	24 boxcars	prefabricated	Wernigerode	Reppen		
	10 gondola cars	houses				
	4 boxcars	clay	Loethain	Reppen		
	6 boxcars	tar paper	Schkeuditz	Reppen		
	1 boxcar	Glauber salt	Stassfurt	Reppen		
	2 boxcars	white wash	Sargard	Reppen		
	9 boxcars	undetermined	Wolfen	Reppen		
			Piesteritz			
			Liebenwerda			
	1 boxcar	bicycles	Berlin	Poland		
	1 gondola car	sewing machines				
	49 boxcars	potash	Glueckauf	Reppen		
20 May	51 boxcars	potash	Rossleben	Reppen		
	32 tank cars	paraldehyde	Merseburg	Brest Litovsk	[]	25X1
	15 boxcars	cellulose	Schwarza	Brest Litovsk		
	24 boxcars	cellulose	Plauen	Brest Litovsk		
	2 flatcars	refrigerators		Brest Litovsk		
	6 gondola cars	tubes and	Zwickau	Brest Litovsk		
	3 flatcars	refrigerators				
	50 boxcars	potash	Rossleben	Reppen		
	3 flatcars	masts	Taubonbach	Poland		
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Date 1951	Number and type of Cars	Load	From	To		25X1
	60 boxcars	potash	Rossleben	Reppen		
	2 gondola cars	4 Diesel locomotives (2)	Glueckauf Drewitz	Reppen		
	2 boxcars	tar paper	Groitzsch	Reppen		
	6 boxcars	furniture	Liebenwerda	Reppen		
	4 boxcars	prefabricated	Wernigerode	Reppen		
	2 gondola cars	houses				
	10 flatcars	20 truck trailers	Harthastadt	Reppen		
	1 flatcar	refrigerators	Eberswalde	Posen		
	2 boxcars	books	Leipzig	Posen		
	1 boxcar	typewriters	Soemmerda	Warsaw		
	5 boxcars	undetermined	Berlin	Reppen		
	22 boxcars	undetermined	undetermined	Poland		
	12 flatcars					
	6 gondola cars					
	50 boxcars	potash	Glueckauf	Reppen		
	48 boxcars	prefabricated	Rummelsburg	Brest Litovsk		
	8 gondola cars	houses				
	33 boxcars	potash	Rossleben	Reppen		
	26 boxcars	undetermined	Frankfurt/ Oder	Brest Litovsk		25X1
	21 flatcars					
	6 gondola cars					
	19 boxcars	undetermined	Frankfurt/ Oder	Brest Litovsk		
	1 flatcar					
	24 boxcars	undetermined	Frankfurt/ Oder	Poland		
	4 flatcars					
	3 gondola cars					25X1
21 May	50 boxcars	potash	Glueckauf	Reppen		
	54 boxcars	undetermined	Frankfurt/ Oder	Kuestrin- border		
	53 boxcars	prefabricated	Frankfurt/ Oder	Brest Litovsk		
	6 gondola cars	houses				
22 May	33 boxcars	undetermined	Frankfurt/ Oder	Brest Litovsk		
	2 flatcars					
	15 gondola cars					
	2 tank cars					
	34 boxcars	undetermined	Frankfurt/ Oder	Brest Litovsk		
	3 flatcars					
	1 gondola car					
	50 boxcars	potash	undetermined	Reppen		
	2 flatcars	pit props	Neu Flacht	Hungary		
	4 flatcars	beech lumber	Waren Friedland	Budapest		
23 May	48 boxcars	potash	Rossleben	Reppen		
24 May	50 boxcars	potash	Glueckauf	Reppen		
	50 boxcars	potash	Glueckauf	Reppen		
	31 boxcars	undetermined	Frankfurt/ Oder	Brest Litovsk		
	3 gondola cars					
	2 tank cars					

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Date	Numbers and type of Cars	Load	From	To		
1951						25X1
	50 boxcars	potash	undetermined	Reppen	shuttle-train	25X1
	55 boxcars	empty	Erfurt	Brest Litovsk		
	50 boxcars	empty	Cottbus	Brest Litovsk		
	37 boxcars	potash	Glueckauf	Reppen		
	55 boxcars	potash	Rossleben	Reppen		
	46 boxcars	uranium ore	Johanngeorgen-stadt	Brest Litovsk		
	35 flatcars	empty	Cottbus	Brest Litovsk		
	55 boxcars	potash	Dorndorf	Reppen		
	16 boxcars	potash and carbide	Piesteritz	Brest Litovsk		
	5 flatcars	refrigerator	Berlin and parts	Brest Litovsk		
	8 gondola cars	undetermined	Merseburg	Brest Litovsk		
	18 boxcars	apparatus	25 Magdeburg	Brest Litovsk		
	3 flatcars	meters long				
	42 boxcars	prefabricated	Berlin-houses	Brest Litovsk		
	12 gondola cars	clay pipes	Crinitz	Brest Litovsk		
	7 gondola cars	cellulose	Flaun	Brest Litovsk		
	38 boxcars	refrigerator	Erfurt	Brest Litovsk		
	8 flatcars	parts				
	7 boxcars	undetermined	Eilenburg	Brest Litovsk		
	24 refrigerator cars	empty (1)	Erfurt	Brest Litovsk		
25 May	50 boxcars	potash	undetermined	Reppen	shuttle-train	25X1
	35 boxcars	undetermined	undetermined	Brest Litovsk		
	10 flatcars					
	7 gondola cars					
	47 boxcars	undetermined	Cottbus	Insterburg		
	10 boxcars	empty	Soviet Zone of Germany	Gerdauen		
	35 boxcars	undetermined	undetermined	Reppen		
	1 gondola car					
	30 flatcars	refrigerators	Leipzig-Lindenau Leipzig-Plagwitz Erfurt	Brest Litovsk		
	24 flatcars	narrow-gauge field railroad cars	Ammendorf	Brest Litovsk		
	55 boxcars	empty	Fuerstenberg/Oder	Brest Litovsk	shuttle-train	25X1
	48 boxcars	potash	Dorndorf	Reppen	shuttle-train	25X1
	36 boxcars	potash	undetermined	Reppen		
	50 boxcars	potash	Glueckauf	Reppen	shuttle-train	25X1
	19 gondola cars	clay pipes	Bitterfeld Coswig Crinitz	Brest Litovsk		

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Date 1951	Numbers and type of Cars	Load	From	To		25X1
	6 boxcars	packing material	Karzhuette	Brest Litovsk		
	4 flatcars	refrigerators	Eilenburg	Brest Litovsk		25X1
	19 boxcars	undetermined	Alt-Wiederitzsch	Brest Litovsk		
	1 boxcar	undetermined	undetermined	Poland		
	29 flatcars					
	11 boxcars	undetermined	undetermined	Brest Litovsk		
	4 flatcars					
	25 tank cars					
	62 boxcars	potash	Rossleben	Reppen		
	46 boxcars	uranium ore	Johanngeorgenstadt	Brest Litovsk		
26 May	36 tank cars	undetermined	undetermined	Brest Litovsk		
	38 boxcars	prefabricated	Soviet Zone	Brest Litovsk		
	17 gondola cars	houses	of Germany			
	46 boxcars	uranium ore	Hartenstein	Brest Litovsk		
	38 boxcars	potash	Dorndorf	Reppen		
	43 boxcars	potash	Glueckauf	Reppen		
	54 boxcars	empty	undetermined	Brest Litovsk		
27 May	53 boxcars	empty	Cottbus	Kuestrin-border		
28 May	56 boxcars	empty	Frankfurt/Oder	Brest Litovsk		
	56 boxcars	empty	Cottbus	Brest Litovsk		
	53 boxcars	empty	Cottbus	Kuestrin-border		25X1
29 May	10 boxcars	empty	Frankfurt/Oder	Gerdauen		25X1
	28 tank cars	gasoline	Boehlen	Kharbinka		
	56 boxcars	empty	Frankfurt/Oder	Brest Litovsk		
	56 boxcars	empty	Erfurt	Gerdauen		
30 May	46 boxcars	uranium ore	Johanngeorgenstadt	Brest Litovsk		
	28 tank cars	gasoline	Boehlen	Kharbinka		
31 May	31 tank cars	gasoline	Boehlen	Kharbinka		

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2. [redacted] the Frankfurt/Oder freight dispatch office, the following military supply traffic passed the border during the period from 24 to 31 May 1951:

a. Westbound traffic:

Date	Number of Cars	Load	From	To		25X1
24 May	31 tank cars	gasoline	Brest Litovsk	Velten		
	10 flatcars	sheet iron, iron pipes, rails	Brest Litovsk	Hilbersdorf		25X1
25 May	13 flatcars	sheet iron, iron pipes, rails	Brest Litovsk	Hilbersdorf		25X1

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Date 1951	Number of Cars	Load	From	To		
	18 tank cars	gasoline	Brest Litovsk	Velten		25X1
	1 flatcar	pig iron,	Brest Litovsk	Chemnitz		25X1
	1 gondola car	forgings		Hilbersdorf		25X1
26 May	1 boxcar	military goods	Brest Litovsk	Muellrose		25X1
	9 flatcars	pig iron, sheet iron, rails	Brest Litovsk	Chemnitz Hilbersdorf		25X1
	1 boxcar	zinc	Brest Litovsk	Luckenwalde		25X1
	3 flatcars	military goods	Brest Litovsk	Eberswalde		25X1
	1 boxcar					
27 May	15 tank cars	gasoline	Brest Litovsk	Velten		
31 May	18 flatcars	pig iron sectional iron, rails	Brest Litovsk	Chemnitz Hilbersdorf		25X1
b. Eastbound traffic:						
25 May	14 flatcars	motor vehicle parts	Wiederitzsch APN 07225	Brest Litovsk		
27 May	36 boxcars	ammunition	Torgau	Brest Litovsk		
	24 boxcars	ammunition	Altengrabow Wulkow	Brest Litovsk		
31 May	4 boxcars	62 pontoons	Ketschendorf	Brest Litovsk		
	31 flatcars					
	8 boxcars	ammunition	Altengrabow Oranienburg	Brest Litovsk		25X1

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3. According to [] the Frankfurt/Oder passenger station, the following supply shipments passed the border en route from Brest Litovsk during the period from 24 - 31 May 1951:

Date	Number of Cars	Load	From	To	Receiver	
24 May	31 tank cars	gasoline	Brest Litovsk	Velten		25X1
	14 flatcars	iron	Brest Litovsk	Chemnitz- Hilbersdorf		
25 May	19 flatcars	iron	Brest Litovsk	Chemnitz- Hilbersdorf		
	8 boxcars	military goods	Brest Litovsk	Frankfurt/Oder		
	5 boxcars	military goods	Brest Litovsk	Muellrose		
26 May	13 boxcars	military goods	Brest Litovsk	Frankfurt/Oder		
	3 boxcars	ammunition	Brest Litovsk	Jueterbog		
	8 tank cars	gasoline	Brest Litovsk	Velten		
	15 flatcars	iron	Brest Litovsk	Chemnitz- Hilbersdorf		

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Date	Number of Cars	Load	From	To	Receiver
28 May	3 boxcars 8 tank cars	military goods fuel	Brest Litovsk Brest Litovsk	Muellrose Velten	
29 May	25 flatcars	iron	Brest Litovsk	Chemnitz- Hilbersdorf	
30 May	18 flatcars	iron	Brest Litovsk	Chemnitz- Hilbersdorf	
	9 boxcars	military goods	Brest Litovsk	Kirchmoeser	
	6 boxcars	military goods	Brest Litovsk	Strausberg	
	2 boxcars	military goods	Brest Litovsk	Frankfurt/Oder	
31 May	3 boxcars	military goods	Brest Litovsk	Muellrose	
	3 boxcars	military goods	Brest Litovsk	Strausberg	
	12 tank cars	gasoline	Brest Litovsk	Velten	

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4. According to [] the transit office in Frankfurt/Oder, the following commercial and military supply shipments passed the border during the period from 12 to 17 May 1951:

a. Westbound traffic:

Date	Number of Trains	Load
12 May	3	iron
	1	potatoes
	1	empty boxcars
13 May	4	iron
	1	grain
	1	gasoline
	2	empty boxcars, and gondola cars
	3	damaged cars
14 May	2	iron
	1	cattle
	1	potatoes
	2	oil and gasoline
	1	ammonia
	1	used trucks
	1	damaged cars
15 May	5	iron
	2	grain
	1	gasoline
	1	empty gondola cars
	1	damaged cars
16 May	3	iron
	1	potatoes
	1	pigs
	1	oil
	1	refrigerator cars
	1	empty boxcars
	1	damaged cars
17 May	1	iron
	2	grain
	2	damaged cars

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b. Eastbound traffic:

Date	Number of Trains	Load
12 May	4	undetermined
13 May	2	undetermined
14 May	8	undetermined
15 May	7	undetermined
16 May	7	undetermined
17 May	6	undetermined.

(6)

5. From the same records it was ascertained that five or six boxcars were made available daily during the period from 12 to 17 May for the return of Soviet officers and their dependents to the U.S.S.R. (7) During the same period, the so-called Blue Trains were occupied to about 35 percent of capacity, the leave trains to about 45 percent. (8)

6. Through personal observations [redacted] it was 25X1
ascertained that a total of 11 trains left the Frankfurt/Oder marshaling yard in the direction of Brest Litovsk or Gerdauen on 21 May 1951; one train left the Frankfurt/Oder passenger station, 10 the Frankfurt/Oder marshaling yard on 22 May. (9)

[redacted] Comments.

- (1) Probably reparations deliveries.
(2) Small locomotives, presumably narrow-gauge.
(3) The report supplements and continues previous information. See [redacted]. The shipments of pig iron and sheet iron to various places in the Soviet Zone of Germany increase continually. No definite information is available on the finished products and their utilization. It is believed that this production is exclusively undertaken for Soviet interests. See [redacted]. All grain shipments and all empty shuttle trains belong to the grain shuttle project. The gasoline shipments from [redacted] 25X1
Boehlen are from the hydrogenation plant there.

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- (5) Some of these shipments are included in paragraph 2 of the report.
(6) The loads are believed to refer to the type of goods predominating in the train concerned. The damaged cars are German freight cars restored by the Soviets to the Soviet Zone Railroads. [redacted] 25X1
(7) These boxcars are believed to have been used for the shipment of furniture since the officers and their dependents would have traveled in coaches.
(8) The Blue Train is the Soviet express train operating daily between Berlin and Brest Litovsk. [redacted]
(9) The number of trains reported for 21 May 1951 agrees with previous information. However, on 22 May 1951, only nine trains were registered. See [redacted]

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